

House Resolution 249

By: Representatives Roberts of the 154th, Burkhalter of the 50th, Fleming of the 117th, Keen of the 179th, Porter of the 143rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia Chamber of Commerce and recognizing February
2 15, 2007, as "Georgia Chamber of Commerce Business Day"; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the antecedent of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1915 to
4 promote the general welfare of productive industry in the state, advocate a public safety
5 policy favorable to the development of such industries, and oppose propositions that would
6 restrain such development; and

7 WHEREAS, the leaders of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce have advocated positive and
8 substantive public policy change and played a vital role in the economic growth of our state;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, the Georgia Chamber of Commerce today aggressively advocates the business
11 viewpoint in the shaping of public policy, encouraging ethical business practices and
12 ensuring the state's future as an economically prosperous, educationally competitive, and
13 environmentally responsible state; and

14 WHEREAS, the Georgia Chamber of Commerce has increased its membership by 160%
15 over the past ten years and now represents more than 4,200 member companies and 2.2
16 million employees in every sector of business and in every county in Georgia; and

17 WHEREAS, the Georgia Chamber of Commerce has fulfilled its pledge to raise more than
18 \$1 million from the business community to support the Georgia National Guard Family
19 Support Foundation; and

20 WHEREAS, the Georgia Chamber of Commerce has worked to promote a prosperous future
21 for all Georgians through legislative efforts and through events such as the annual Eggs &
22 Issues Legislative Breakfast, the Red Carpet Tour, and the Georgia Quail Hunt and through
23 partnerships and affiliated programs such as the Georgia Allies, Drugs Don't Work, the

1 Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education, Leadership Georgia, and the Tourism
2 Development Alliance of Georgia; and

3 WHEREAS, the General Assembly will observe February 15, 2007, as "Georgia Chamber
4 of Commerce Business Day" at the state capitol.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
6 the members of this body join in recognizing the leaders and members of the Georgia
7 Chamber of Commerce for their many years of dedicated service to Georgia's economic
8 development, commending their efforts to ensure Georgia's continued competitiveness in our
9 domestic and global economies, and recognizing February 15, 2007, as "Georgia Chamber
10 of Commerce Business Day."

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
12 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Chamber of
13 Commerce.